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IN THE ABSTRACT:

In a gear pump with variable throughput volume, with two meshed gears with external toothing which are rotatably held in the working chamber of a pump housing, at least one of the two gears is driven from a drive shaft and one of the gears, preferably the driven gear, is shiftable in the direction of its axis. In order to realize a control mechanism in a simple manner a gap width defined as the distance measured in axial direction between an essentially plane first interior side wall of the working chamber of the pump housing and a first font front face of the shiftable gear, is designed to be variable.